

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Investigation No. 731-TA-990 (Final)

NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS FROM CHINA

DETERMINATION

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigation, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to section 735(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1673d(b)) (the Act), that an industry in the United States is threatened with material injury by reason of imports from China of non-malleable cast iron pipe fittings, provided for in subheadings 7307.11.00 and 7307.19.30 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The Commission further determines that it would not have found material injury but for the suspension of liquidation.

BACKGROUND

The Commission instituted this investigation effective February 21, 2002, following receipt of a petition filed with the Commission and Commerce by Anvil International, Inc., Portsmouth, NH, and Ward Manufacturing, Inc., Blossburg, PA. The final phase of the investigation was scheduled by the Commission following notification of a preliminary determination by Commerce that imports of non-malleable cast iron pipe fittings from China were being sold at LTFV within the meaning of section 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. § 1673b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission's investigation and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the *Federal Register* of October 24, 2002 (67 FR 65360). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on February 11, 2003, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the Secretary of Commerce on March 24, 2003. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3586 (March 2003), entitled *Non-Malleable Cast Iron Pipe Fittings from China: Investigation No. 731-TA-990 (Final)*.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott
Secretary to the Commission

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¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR § 207.2(f)).